

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. To show something, anything, that is essentially partisan on the behalf of either candidate only days prior to the election is unethical, immoral, reprehensible, and our founding fathers would turn over in their graves if they saw the mockery of justice and freedom that our democracy has become. They are trying to force their views on everyone; this is not the America that I grew up in.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Please, do what is right, and stop Sinclair from forcing their political views on their stations. Please save our First Amendment.

Thank You.